

Japan's most popular dog

STORY TIME



READ AND WRITE THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT PLACE. There are 3 words you DON'T have to use:

travellers
enormous

patiently
where

In
waiting

friends
of

at
suddenly

_____ front of the enormous Shibuya train station in Tokyo, there is a life-size bronze statue of a dog. The statue is very small. It is a meeting point since 1934 and today you can find hundreds of people _____ there for their friends to arrive. This is the story behind the statue:

"Hachiko, an Akita dog, was born in 1923. His owner, Professor Eisaburo Ueno, and he were inseparable _____ from the start. Everyday Hachiko accompanied his owner, who worked at the Imperial university, to Shibuya train station, where he took the train to work. When he came back, the professor always found the dog _____ waiting for him. Sadly, one day in 1925, the professor _____ died at work and he did not return home.

Hachiko was still a young dog so he continued to wait _____ the station everyday. Some people believed that he returned to the station for the food vendors in the street gave him. As time passed on, the dog became a familiar figure to _____ that used the station.

Choose the right option

Hachiko was a

shiba tsu dog

Akita dog

retriever dog

Professor Eisaburo went to work

by train

by car

by bus

Who died suddenly?

the dog

the seller

the professor

Hachiko was born in

1923

1934

1974

Shibuya is the name of the

professor

dog

station

What does it mean?

Draw a line between the speech bubble to the matching rectangle to connect the word with its meaning.

Life-sized

a place where people
or things meet.

meeting-point

of the same size as the person
or thing represented.

Akita

a person or company
offering something for sale,
especially a trader in the
street.

vendor

a dog of a Japanese breed